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### **GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS FORIEST TO HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL**

**RALEIGH** – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed state **Sen. Tony Foriest (D-Alamance, Caswell)** of Graham to the North Carolina State Health Coordinating Council.

Foriest is the vice-chairman of the Health Care Committee and co-chairman of the Joint Select Committee on Economic Development Incentives in the N.C. Senate. He was the 2004 recipient of the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation's "Nancy Susan Reynolds Award." Foriest received his Bachelor's degree in economics from UNC at Chapel Hill and his Master's degree in business administration from Elon University.

The council develops a draft state medical facilities plan that is recommended annually to the governor. The council holds hearings on the draft plan and responds to public comments received. There are 27 members on the board, each serving a three-year term. The governor appoints all members.

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